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Filed: September 3, 1998	)		
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# RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

#### Response to Restriction Requirement

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action of April 26, 2002, Applicants respectfully elect the invention of Group II, claims 25-46.

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Restriction Req in the above-identified application.	quiremen	t and Supplemental P	relimina	ary Amen	dment
No additional fee is required.					
The fee has been calculated as shown below:					
CLAIMS AS	S AMEND	DED			

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRE	SENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	43	MINUS	42	=	1	x \$9 \$18	\$ 18.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	10	MINUS	13	=	0	x \$42 \$84	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multiple Dep	endent claims \$140/\$2	80					\$ 0.00
			TOTAL ADDITIONAL FOR THIS AMENDMEN				\$ 18.00

<sup>°</sup>Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

X	A check in the amount of \$18.00 is enclosed including the additional claims fees.
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR § 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the extension fee for a month is enclosed.
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
X	Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.
	Respectfully submitted,
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